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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Amit D. Agarwal
Application No. : 09/699,244
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For : PROVIDING GIFT CLUSTERING FUNCTIONALITY TO ASSIST
A USER IN ORDERING MULTIPLE ITEMS FOR A RECIPIENT

Examiner : Cuong H. Nguyen
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P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 8, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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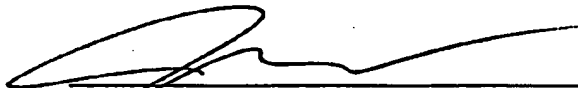
occurred; and claims 107-111 generally recite assisting a user by automatically identifying a user-defined group of multiple items as being appropriate for use by the user. Robertson similarly does not teach or suggest any of these additional features, and thus each of these claims is further patentable over Robertson for at least these reasons. Moreover, various of the other pending dependent claims similarly recite additional patentable features, although these additional features are not enumerated here for the sake of brevity.

Conclusion

In light of the above remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are allowable, and requests that the Examiner reconsider this application and timely allow all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 694-4815.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Respectfully submitted,
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